A.—Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Home and Industries).—

(*a*) Ten.

(*b*) There is no classification as Gazetted and Non-Gazetted Officers in the Government Industrial concerns. All are termed as monthly-rated or daily-rated employees.

(*c*) There are 21 monthly-rated officials belonging to Depressed Classes.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಕೆ. ಸಿದ್ದಯ್ಯ.—ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಕಾರ್ಖಾನೆಗಳು 10 ಇವೆಯೆಂದು ತಾವು ತಿಳಿಸಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಇವು ಎಲ್ಲೆಲ್ಲಿವೆಯೆಂಬುದನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಸುತ್ತೀರಾ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—ತಮಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿದೆ. ಭದ್ರಾವತಿ ಕಬ್ಬಿಣದ ಕಾರ್ಖಾನೆ, ಎರೆಕ್ಟ್ರಿಕ್ ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಟರಿ, ಪೋರ್ಸ್ ಲೈನ್ ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಟರಿ, ಸೆಂಟ್ರಲ್ ಇಂಡಸ್ಟ್ರಿಯಲ್ ವರ್ಕ್‌ಷಾಪ್, ಕಾನಕಾನಹಳ್ಳಿ ಸಿರ್ಕ್ ಫಿರೇಜರ್, ಮೈಸೂರು ಸ್ಯಾಂಡಲ್ ಆಯಲ್ ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಟರಿ, ಡೈಕ್ರೊಮೇಟ್ ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಟರಿ ಮತ್ತು ಇಂಪ್ಲಿಮೆಂಟ್ ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಟರಿ ಇತ್ಯಾದಿ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಕೆ. ಸಿದ್ದಯ್ಯ.—ಈ 10 ಕಾರ್ಖಾನೆಗಳಿಂದ ಒಟ್ಟು ಎಷ್ಟು ಜನ ಕೆಲಸಗಾರರಿದ್ದಾರೆ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—9 ಕಾರ್ಖಾನೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ 2,749 ಜನ, ಭದ್ರಾವತಿ ಕಾರ್ಖಾನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ 5½ ಸಾವಿರ ಜನ ಕೆಲಸಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಕೆ. ಸಿದ್ದಯ್ಯ.—ಇಷ್ಟೊಂದು ಜನ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡುವ ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಟರಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಹಿಂದುಳಿದ ಪಂಗಡದ ವರು ಕೇವಲ 21 ಜನರಿದ್ದಾರೆಂದರೆ ಬಹಳ ಕಡಮೆ ಯಲ್ಲವೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—ಅವರು ಬಂದರೆ ಅಗತ್ಯವಾಗಿ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಆದರೆ ಅವರು ಬರಬೇಕಲ್ಲ!

Prices of Agricultural Produce (steps to stabilise).

Q.—412 Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY (Chitaldrug).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) what are the current prices of agricultural produce such as paddy, ragi, jola, navane, cotton, groundnuts, etc ;

(*b*) what were the prices of the same during this period—last year ;

(*c*) whether they have noticed an abnormally downward tendency in the prices of agricultural produce ;

(*d*) whether they are aware that the prices of industrial manufactures such as implements, cloth, kerosene, etc, etc., have not shown any decrease;

(*e*) what steps they propose to take to bring about stabilisation of prices of agricultural produce ?

A.—Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Home and Industries).—

(*a*) and (*b*) The current and last year prices of agricultural produce, *viz.*, Paddy, Ragi, Cotton, Groundnuts, etc., are as follows :—

			Current Year	*Last Year*
1.	Rice :—		Rs.	Rs.
	(*i*) Fine	Per palla	52—57	54—56
	(*ii*) Medium	,,	44—46	47—50
	(*iii*) Coarse	,,	31—32	43—45
2.	Ragi	,,	22—24	29—31
3.	Jowar	,,	21—22½	28—31
4.	Navane	,,	12—16	26—30
5.	Togari	,,	20—22	28—30
6.	Avare	,,	26—29	32—35
7.	Horsegram	,,	21—21½	29½—30
8.	Castor seeds	,,	21—22	31—32
9.	Groundnut seeds	,,	31—32	45—50
10.	Jaggery	Per Maund of 24 lbs.	2½—3	4½—5½
11.	Tamarind	Per Maund of 28 lbs.	4—7½	6—11½
12.	Coriander	Per palla	24—28	27—31
13.	Gingelly	,,	42—44	54—64
14.	Cotton : Raw Machine ginned	...	Rs. 700 for 784 lbs.	Rs. 500 for 500 lbs.

		Current Year	Last Year
		Rs.	Rs. a. p.
15. Cotton Yard—20 s.-Grey (single)	...	17—17½ for 10 lbs.	16 14 0 to 17 4 0 for 10 lbs.

(*c*) There is a downward trend in the prices.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) Government are watching the price trends.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Are the Government aware that the prices of ragi, jawar and cotton have gone far below?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Yes. I have got the latest figures as on 19th February 1955 which I am placing on the Table of the House for the information of the Hon'ble Member.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Please read out the figures.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—It is a big list, Sir; if you permit me to read, I will do so.

		Rs.
Rice first variety	...	38—56
Second variety	...	35—48
Ragi	...	21—24
Jawar	...	21—22
Navane	...	16
Hurali	...	34—35
Hesaru	...	31—32
Bella (Jaggery)	...	2-8-0—3
Tamarind	...	4-8-0—8
Cotton 26 grey single for		Rs. 16-14-0 Rs. 17-6-0

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Are the Government aware that the prices of these agricultural commodities have gone down by 50 per cent?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—It is not exactly 50. I have got the figures worked out; a tabulated statement for all these prices for five years has been prepared. Foodgrains and pulses have gone down by 24 per cent, oil and oil seeds by 29 per cent.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—What about cotton?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—According to me the textile prices have gone up by 12 per cent during this period.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Are the Government aware, correspondingly the prices of industrial products have not gone down and that on the other hand they are going up?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—I have got figures just to show that it is an undisputed fact that the prices of foodgrains are going down much more than any other price.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—What is the kind of cotton that is grown in Mysore State, Sir?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Mostly we grow Lakshmi and also in some places M.A. V.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Are the Government aware, because of the cotton imports from America the cotton rates in Mysore State as well as in India have gone up?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Cotton prices have gone down.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—What steps the Government want to take to stabilise the prices?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—I have received a latest telegram today from the Government of India—we have been in correspondence with them. We have apprised the Government of India of the real situation in the country. We want to help the agriculturists to the extent we can.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—What steps do the Government intend to take to bring down the prices of industrial products?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—This, Sir, as the House is well aware, cannot be done.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I do not think it arises out of this question.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Are they are aware that the prices of industrial manufactures such as implements, kerosene have not shown any decrease? What steps do the Government of Mysore intend to take to bring down the prices of agricultural implements?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—We propose to take such steps as are

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necessary in consultation with the Government of India. No State as such in isolation can take any step in this behalf.

Buses near Maddur Railway Station.

Q.—517. Sri T. N. MUDALAGIRI GOWDA (Kunigal).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether a Bus Stand is constructed near the Maddur Railway Station ;

(*b*) whether the supervising police installed there belong to Railway Department or State Department ;

(*c*) whether the Police at Maddur has no control over the buses that run near the Maddur Railway Station ?

A.—Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Home and Industries).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Railway Police is part of the State Police Force.

(*c*) No. They have no control as long as the buses are within the Railway boundary.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಎನ್. ಮೂಡಲಗಿರಿಗೌಡ.—ಬಸ್‌ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡು, ಮದ್ದೂರಿನ ರೈಲ್ವೆಸ್ಟೇಷನ್ನಿನಲ್ಲಿದೆಯೋ ಅಥವಾ ಟೌನಿನಲ್ಲಿದೆಯೋ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—ರೈಲ್ವೆ ಸ್ಟೇಷನ್ನಿನ premisesನಲ್ಲಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಎನ್. ಮೂಡಲಗಿರಿಗೌಡ.—ಅಲ್ಲಿರತಕ್ಕ ಬಸ್ ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡಿನ ನಿಗಾವನ್ನು ನೋಡುಕೊಳ್ಳುವವರು ಯಾರು?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—ಆ ಜ್ಯೂರಿಸ್‌ಡಿಕ್ಷನ್ ರೈಲ್ವೆ ಪೋಲೀಸ್‌ನವರಿಗೆ ಸೇರಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಎನ್. ಮೂಡಲಗಿರಿಗೌಡ.—ಅದರ ಕಡೆ ಯಾರೊಬ್ಬರೂ ಹೋಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ; ಸಂಸ್ಥಾನದ ಪೋಲೀಸ್‌ನವರೂ ಅದನ್ನು ನೋಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂಬುದು ತಮ್ಮ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೆ ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—No, Sir. The report I have received is to the effect that a Daffedar and 6 Constables of Maddur Police Station are also looking after the work.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಎನ್. ಮೂಡಲಗಿರಿಗೌಡ.—ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಹೊಡೆದಾಟಗಳು ಬೇಕಾದಷ್ಟು ನಡೆದು ಗಲಾಟೆ ಆಗುತ್ತಿದ್ದರೂ ಇದುವರೆಗೂ ಯಾರೂ ನಿಗಾ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಿಲ್ಲದಿರುವುದು ತಮ್ಮ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿಲ್ಲವೇ ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—I will get it examined, Sir.

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Mr. SPEAKER.—Question hour is over.

QUESTION FOR ANSWER ON THE DAY

(but not taken up)

Electricity (Supply for Irrigation Pump Sets in Somanahalli Circle).

Q.—373. Sri B. T. KEMPARAJ (Bangalore South—Scheduled Castes).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of applications received for the grant of electricity for Irrigation Pump Sets in Somanahalli Circle since 1952 ;

(*b*) the estimated cost of supplying electricity for the same ?

A.—Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(*a*) 19

(*b*) Estimated cost Rs. 80,050.

Government Soap Factory.

Q.—61. Sri S. SRINIVASA IYENGAR (T.-Narasipur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount of money invested in the Mysore Government Soap Factory as on 1st April 1954 ;

(*b*) the value of the opening stock of finished goods as on 1st July 1947 and 1st April 1954 ;

(*c*) the value of the stock of raw materials held by this concern as on 1st July 1947 and 1st April 1954 ;

(*d*) the value of the articles manufactured each year from 1946-54 ;

(*e*) the value of the articles sold each year from 1946-54 ;

(*f*) the arrangements the Government had made to market the goods of this concern prior to 1946 and subsequent to this date till 1954 ;

(*g*) the amount of money paid as commission charges or otherwise for